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## THE STARS OF A&E'S DUCK DYNASTY TO APPEAR AT THE KENTUCKY STATE FAIR

Tickets go on sale Monday, July 1 at 10 a.m.

**Louisville, KY.** (June 26, 2013) - Willie, Korie, Si and Kay Robertson, stars of A&E's *Duck Dynasty*, will entertain fans of the reality show and outdoor enthusiasts alike on the last day of the 2013 Kentucky State Fair. "A Conversation with the Robertsons" will be a part of the Main Stage Concert Series in Freedom Hall on Sunday, August 25 at 3:00 p.m.

*Duck Dynasty*, A&E's most-watched series, features a Louisiana bayou family living the American dream as they operate a thriving family business.

"We are thrilled to have the Robertsons bring a new type of entertainment to the fair this year," said Kentucky State Fair Board CEO Clifford "Rip" Rippetoe. "They have a large fan base who watch and follow them for their values, lifestyles and hobbies."

The Robertson family operates West Monroe, Louisiana-based companies Duck Commander and Buck Commander. They sell their famous handmade duck calls and decoys out of salvaged swamp wood, along with other duck hunting and deer hunting merchandise. The family-operated business is the basis of the A&E *Duck Dynasty* television show.

Willie Robertson, CEO of Duck Commander and Buck Commander, grew up with the family business and has been in and around hunting his entire life. As executive producer of the show, he has a passion for inspiring future hunters by showing the outdoor lifestyle in an entertaining way.

Korie Robertson, Willie's wife, serves as the office manager of Duck Commander. Alongside Willie, she has helped to expand their enterprise.

Si Robertson is most recognizable on the show for his blue cup and ability to never stay on task. He makes all of the reeds for the Duck Commander calls while sharing stories and offering his advice to the others.

Kay Robertson is the revered matriarch of the family. Known as Miss Kay, her cooking is recognizable with show fans for bringing the family together. Her most famous dishes being banana pudding, fried deer steak, crawfish pie and sticky frog legs. Family cookbook, "Miss Kay's Duck Commander Kitchen: Faith, Family, and Food," will be published November 5, 2013.

The 2012 Christmas episode ended season two as the most watched A&E episode at the time, only to be surpassed by the season three finale which totaled 9.6 million viewers.

Tickets to see "A Conversation with the Robertsons" go on sale Monday, July 1 at 10 a.m., are \$48 and \$38 and include Kentucky State Fair gate admission. Tickets are available at the Freedom Hall and Kentucky International Convention Center Ticket Offices and all Ticketmaster outlets. Charge by phone at 1-800-745-3000, or purchase online at <a href="https://www.ticketmaster.com">www.ticketmaster.com</a>.

The Kentucky State Fair is August 15-25 at the Kentucky Exposition Center. For more information and continued updates on the 2013 Kentucky State Fair, visit the official website at www.kystatefair.org.

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The Kentucky State Fair is an 11-day celebration of the history, heritage and culture of the Bluegrass State. More than 600,000 attend America's largest indoor fair, which uses over 1.2 million square feet of contiguous exhibit space at the Kentucky Exposition Center. While its roots are in agriculture, the Kentucky State Fair has grown into a trade and public education exposition, as well as a major entertainment venue. The World's Championship Horse Show, held during the Fair, is the world's richest and most prestigious Saddlebred show. Attendees and exhibitors contribute over \$16.8 million annually in economic impact. The Kentucky State Fair & World's Championship Horse Show are owned and produced by the Kentucky State Fair Board, an agency of the Kentucky Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet.